Through Christ we believe, inspire, achieve.

Welcome to Year 1

September 2026

Who are we?



Mrs Blackledge
Y1A



Mrs McMeakin
Y1B



Mrs Smith
TA



Mrs McDonagh
TA (Mon-Tues)



Mrs Bond
TA (Wed-Fri)

What does a day look like in Year One?

Timing of the School Day

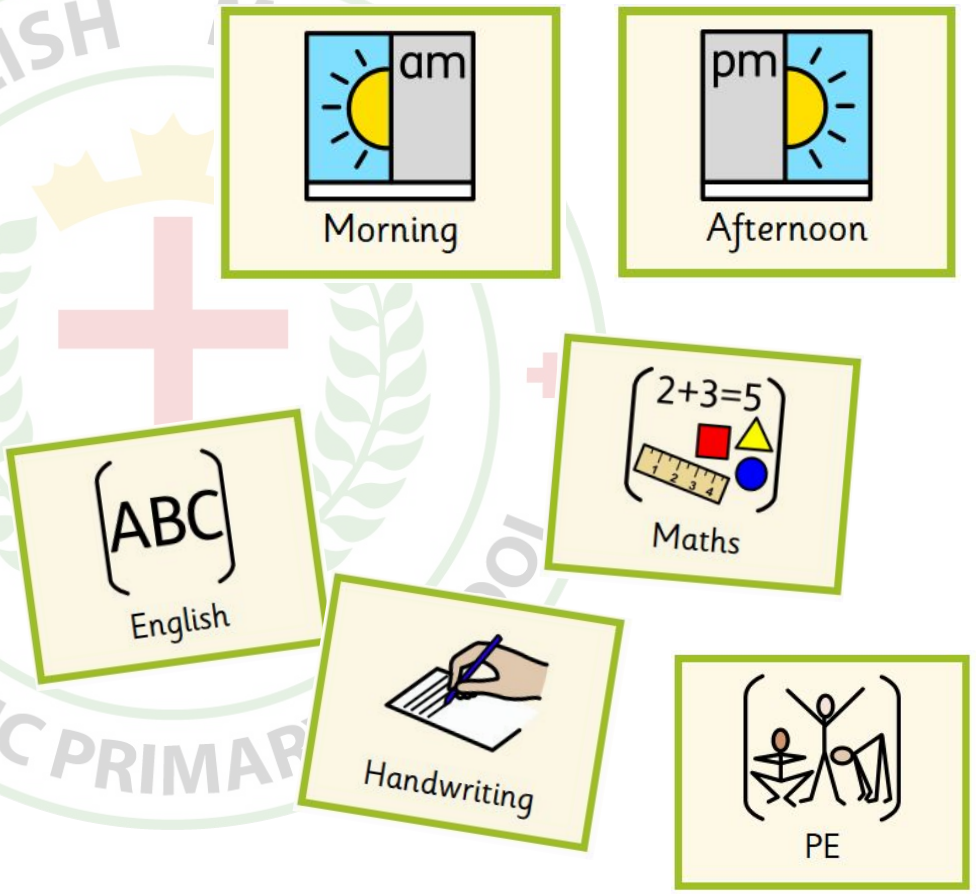
National Curriculum

Mornings:

- Phonics (8.55)
- English - Pathways to Write
- Playtime (playground)
- Maths - White Rose

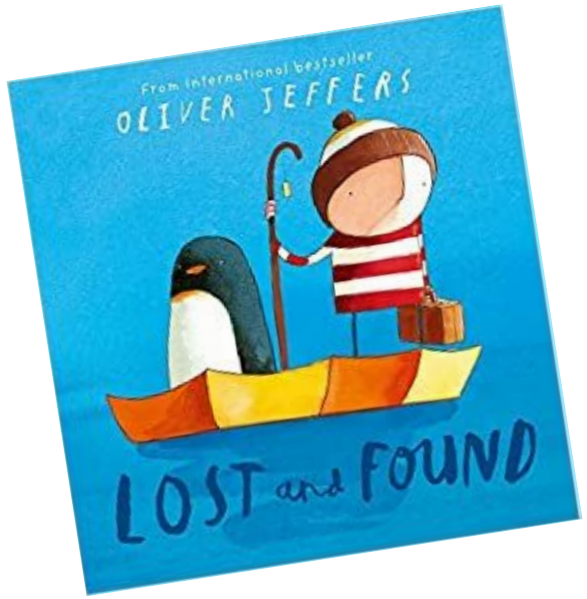
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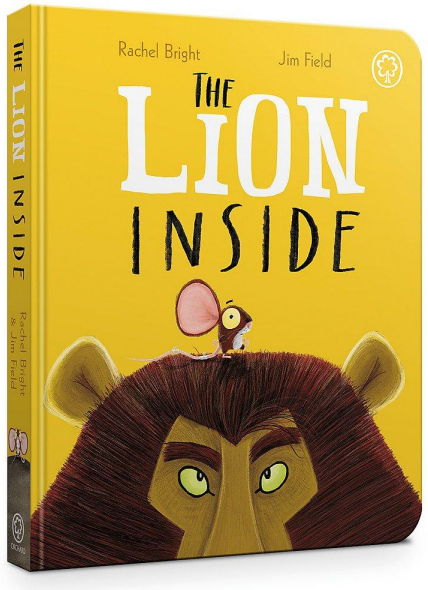
- Phonics
- Prayer & Liturgy
- Handwriting
- Curriculum
- Continuous Provision
- Playtime (playground)
- Story

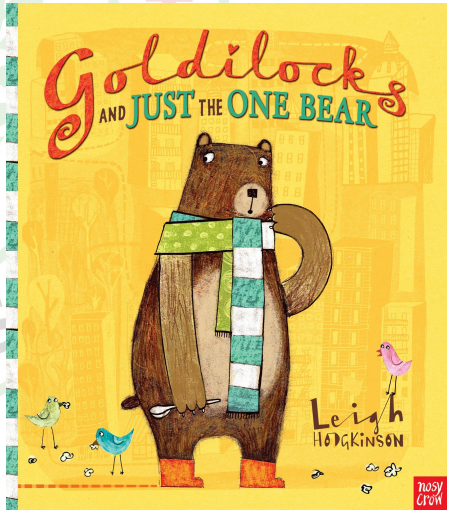


Year One Expectations

- Please see handouts for end of year expectations for writing, reading and maths.
- In English we follow Pathways to Write
- In Maths we follow White Rose
- In Phonics we follow Read Write Inc





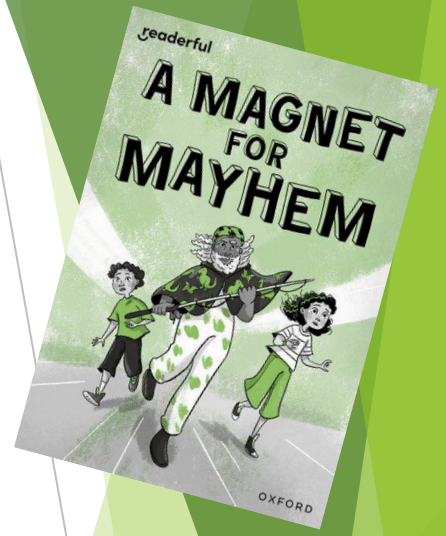


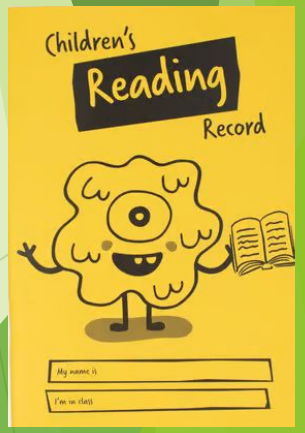


Reading

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- Children read everyday in school
- Extra Support
- All children to have a reading record which is to be filled in by parents and junior children
- Oxford Owl Log in attached to the inside cover - RWI book and quiz set each Friday plus access to other online books
- Children to take home two reading books a week -
    - Children still on the Read Write Inc (RWI) Phonics programme:
        - One RWI book chosen by the teacher and changed on a Friday
        - One Reading for Pleasure book chosen by the child from the class and changed when finished with
- Children should be reading at least 5 times a week at home to build stamina and fluency when reading
- Children in Years Nursery-Y4 MUST have a school reading book bag
- Phonics Screening (Summer Term)
- Spring Term - Reading/Phonics meeting/workshops
- Summer Term - Phonics Screening Info Meeting





Read Write Inc. Phonics



READING NINJA CHALLENGE



Welcome to the READING NINJA CHALLENGE!

To reward the children who read at home, we are taking part in the Reading Ninja Challenge.

The children will be rewarded with Reading Belts in the form of a certificate.

To gain a belt, you need to **read 25 times**.

For a read to count, it has to be at least **10-15 minutes** with an adult.

This could be a school reading book, library book, book from home or comic book!

An adult must sign the reading record book (Only ONE read per day counts) with a maximum of 7 per week.

Class teachers will ask to see your child's reading record each week and keep the total towards the coloured belts.

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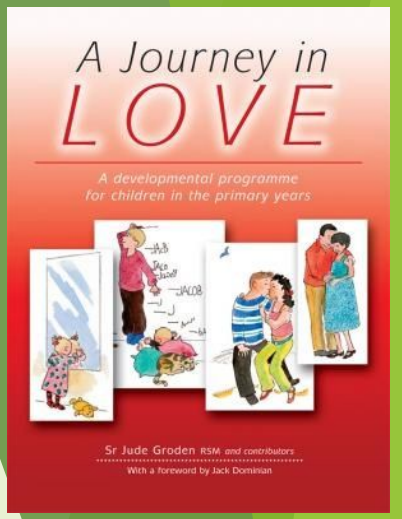
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- In Religious Education we follow Religious Education (RED).
- Children also take part in daily Prayer & Liturgy (previously Collective Worship) in class and weekly phase group assemblies.
- End of Topic assemblies take place at the end of each topic. Year One date/s:

  - Christmas assembly Wed 9th Dec at 9.15am
  - Wednesday 10th Feb 9am - End of topic assembly
  - Wednesday 26th May 9am - End of topic assembly

RHSE

- Throughout the school children follow the Relationship and Health Education Programs ‘A Journey in Love’ and ‘Life to the Full’. Both are approved by the Archdiocese and Bishops.
- These will cover how RHSE is taught and will look at the following areas of development:
  - Physical
  - Social
  - Emotional
  - Intellectual
  - Spiritual
- It is taught throughout the year with link to other areas of the curriculum, e.g. Physical (Science)



Life to the Full Plus!

Ten:Ten Resources

Children's University

Children's University is a charity that works in partnership with schools to develop a love of learning in children. This is achieved by encouraging and celebrating participation in extra-curricular activities in and outside of school.



- Passports available from the office - £4
- One credit is awarded for one hour of activity (from clubs that are validated by CU) - with a maximum of ten credits per term per activity
- Credits from clubs in school are recorded by school (not in passport)
- Half termly activities are sent out to parents- photos showing evidence of completion of tasks sent to CU and credits are awarded.
- Graduation takes place in Year 2 and Year 6- Graduation Ceremony at Edge Hill.
- Credits can be achieved from residentials, Summer Reading Challenges and visiting particular museums.



General Information

- All uniform including bags and lunch boxes must be named
- Timetable
  - PE Wednesday (Mrs McMeakin)
  - PE Thursday (Mrs Blackledge)

    (Children to come to school dressed ready for P.E.)
    - Black joggers/leggings, green t-shirt, green school hoodie/sweater or grey cardigan/jumper, trainer (preferably velcro)
- Refillable water bottles (seperate from packed lunch) - small
- Green book bag to be brought in each day - no keyrings please
- Inform us of any changes to collection so we know who your child is going home with.
- In the Summer Term - school trip to Knowsley Safari Park - approx. cost £20.
- Medicine needs to have a form filled in and passed in by hand - please do not send in bookbags.
- No dogs on the playground
- Please do not use the playground equipment before or after school

Keep in Touch

- End of Day - 3.15pm at the door/gate (please wait until all children have left)
- Phone call to the Office - 0151 928 5601
- School Blog - through website

Please keep details up to date with the office - Arbor

Any Questions?